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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

AKIHIRO SATO

Application No.: 09/449,733

Filed: November 26, 1999

For: IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS, )  
DATA PROCESSING METHOD, )  
AND STORAGE MEDIUM )



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The Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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PARTS OF APPLICATION - FILING DATE GRANTED

Sir:

In response to the NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF  
APPLICATION - FILING DATE GRANTED mailed January 4, 2000,  
enclosed please find an executed Declaration/Power of Attorney form,  
together with the surcharge fee of \$130.00. Also enclosed is a copy  
of the NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION - FILING DATE  
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The Assistant Commissioner is authorized to charge any  
additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-  
1205. A duplicate of this paper is attached for that purpose.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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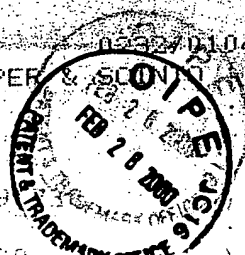
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**NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION**

For: IMAGE PROCESSING **Filing Date Granted** February 26, 2000  
 DATA PROCESSING METHOD

An Application Number and Filing Date have been assigned to this application. The items indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). If any of items 1 or 3 through 5 are indicated as missing, the SURCHARGE set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65.00 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, or \$130.00 for a non-small entity, must also be timely submitted in reply to this NOTICE to avoid abandonment.

If all required items on this form are filed within the period set above, the total amount owed by applicant as a small entity (statement filed) non-small entity is \$ 150

1. The statutory basic filing fee is: ☐ missing ☐ insufficient

Applicant must submit \$ to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).

2. The following additional claims fees are due:
- \$ for total claims over 20.
  - \$ for independent claims over 3.
  - \$ for multiple dependent claim surcharge.

Applicant must either submit the additional claim fees or cancel additional claims for which fees are due.

3. The oath or declaration: ☐ is missing or unsigned ☒ does not cover the newly submitted items. GRANTED mailed January 4, 2000  
 An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, including residence information and identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date is required.
4. The signature(s) to the oath or declaration is/are by a person other than inventor or person qualified under 37 CFR 1.42, 1.43 or 1.47.  
 A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.

5. The signature of the following joint inventor(s) is missing from the oath or declaration:

An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 listing the names of all inventors and signed by the omitted inventor(s), identifying this application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.

6. A \$50.00 processing fee is required since your check was returned without payment (37 CFR 1.21(m)).
7. Your filing receipt was mailed in error because your check was returned without payment.
8. The application was filed in a language other than English.  
 Applicant must file a verified English translation of the application, the \$130.00 set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(k), unless previously submitted, and a statement that the translation is accurate (37 CFR 1.52(d)).
9. OTHER

Direct the reply and any questions about this notice to "Attention: Box Missing Parts."

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